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INTEGRATED CIRCUIT DEVICE AND A SEMICONDUCTOR
INTEGRATED CIRCUIT DEVICE

Group: 2813

Examiner: W. Vesperman

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 CFR § 1.97 AND § 1.98

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Sir:

Pursuant to Applicants' duty of disclosure, enclosed please find copies of documents to be considered by the Examiner during examination on the merits of the above-identified application. Also enclosed is a Form PTO/SB/08A, listing the enclosed documents.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted prior to a first Office Action on the merits in the above-identified application. Accordingly, requirements of 37 CFR § 1.97(b) are clearly satisfied.

To the extent that the enclosed documents are not in English, it is respectfully submitted that requirements of 37 CFR § 1.98(a)(3) are satisfied by the English-language Abstracts submitted with the respective documents.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that all applicable

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requirements of 37 CFR § 1.97 and § 1.98 have been satisfied, in connection with each of the documents listed on the enclosed Form. Accordingly, consideration of the listed documents, upon examination of the above-identified application, is respectfully requested.

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